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Add a little flavor to your military career

By Brig. Gen. William P. Kane
302nd Airlift Wing commander

Do you like vanilla ice cream? For many of us plain vanilla is rarely our first choice. We want to add strawberries or caramel or

chocolate chip cookie dough; we want to add our special touch. Are the Air Force and the 302nd Airlift Wing similar?

I recently had the honor of attending the retirement of Senior Master Sgt. J.J. Christian, who has been in the Air Force 38 years and the 302nd for 10 or more. I've known J.J. since 1983 and have respected him since we first met.

At his retirement he talked about several events from his career which "required a response." In the end his message was, you can sit and gripe or you can accept ownership. If you accept ownership you accept the responsibility of ownership and work to make the Air Force and the 302nd better.

Is there a way to make your squadron's unit training assembly more efficient? Is

there training you do that you really need to know to go to war? What can you do to make it better? Have you talked to your first sergeant, training manager, squadron commander? That is what I heard J.J. say – you might not always succeed, you might not even be right every time, but you are not accepting ownership if you don't try.

If you're a young airman or a young officer I challenge you to pick something you think could be improved and work at it. Once you've succeeded with the first, try another. Then, when you retire, count up the changes you are responsible for.

In the end you can accept the Air Force and the 302nd as plain vanilla or you can add your own flavor. At the end of your career what flavor did you add?



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Choking down the safety pill

By Maj. Mark Steward
302nd AW Chief of Safety

Safety is often a hard pill to swallow. I heard a comment recently from an individual stating, "I'm allergic to safety."

Before becoming chief of safety for the 302nd Airlift Wing I would often get annoyed with safety briefings. On deployments you hear all the same stuff about drinking and driving, wearing a helmet when riding your bike and wearing your seat belt.

When I was a kid I never wore a bike helmet or a seat belt. I remember how great

it was to fall asleep lying across the back seat of the car and pretending not to be awake when we got home so I could be carried to bed.

I received a High Risk Assessment worksheet from 22nd Air Force Safety a couple weeks ago. Again, my initial feeling was annoyance, but then I took the time to look through it since I am a "safety guy." I realized I participate in most of the "high risk" activities listed in the HRA. When I read through the risk management portion of the HRA I was amazed at all of the things it brought to my attention that I never consid-

ered before.

The point is, putting a little thought into what you're about to do may go a long way towards saving your hide someday. The intent for risk management is to get a person to think of the possible consequences of his or her actions. It may take just a few seconds. People do risk assessment every day without realizing it. Take it up one step and look at the HRA handout. Your supervisor should have a copy, or contact me in the safety office at 556-4816.

Oh yeah, a bicycle helmet saved me from a very serious head injury last spring.

On the cover



Sporting guys
302nd Airlift Wing recruiters and racers Mark Cooling (left) and Jim Fritzen prepare to hit the slopes during the SnoFest!!! Cardboard Derby at Keystone Resort. See page 12 for the story. (Photo by Jeff Grzecka)

UTA Schedule

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Services trio part of bigger picture

By Tech. Sgt. Robert L. Bostick
302nd Services Flight

Senior Airmen Patricia Rojero and Guadalupe Sojo, and I are here in Kuwait. We are assigned to the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing, supporting the global war on terrorism and in an area demanding the highest standards of performance, dedication and execution. We're fighting a resilient enemy thriving on horror.

The words from our deployed commander are proof that members of the 302nd Services Flight are not on just another two-week annual tour, but are here to provide

support for the nation and defend the freedom sometimes taken for granted.

Even though daily contributions may be small, they are part of a bigger picture. It may be preparing flight meals for crews flying missions, serving hot meals to soldiers who previously relied on meals ready-to-eat, or providing recreational activities for others to enjoy, such as dominos, card games or movies.

We are a team of active duty, Reserve and Guard members from different bases who are physically able to carry out the mission that is needed. We've made the commitment to be away from family and friends.

Yearly exercises at Jack's Valley, Camp Red Devil, and Pinon Canyon may have prepared us for living in tents, using restrooms and showers a block away and wearing chemical gear for extended periods of time, but here it is a daily reality.

You work 12-hour days so time off is precious and you want to be constructive. Language classes, educational classes and other ways to improve ourselves are offered.

We are also gaining valuable experience and knowledge which we will be able to use to further assist younger Airmen to help them understand the true meaning of what the Air Expeditionary Force is all about.

If desks could talk what would they say?

**By Chaplain (Capt.)
Tim Wilson**
302nd Airlift Wing chaplain

If your desk could talk, what would it say? Psychologist Donna Dawson headed up the study of 30,000 desks worldwide. She found that our work area does reflect something about us. Certain personality traits and tendencies are all prominently displayed on that wooden or metal table with built-in drawers. See what you think about the five main desktop types she discovered.

The first desk type is the business-like, organized desktop. Above all, it is functional, often dominated by equipment and technology. It has few personal frills. It is a service station to get work done; each piece of equipment has a purpose and a place. This desk usually belongs to someone who's good at what they do, but they may be a little impatient with others and may not be a people person.

The organized chaos desktop is the second type. It is overflowing with papers and folders. This person isn't sloppy, they are flexible, and often

multitasking a variety of tasks. They are usually very likable, unpretentious folks who find it hard to say no to new projects or helping others out. They tend to have few personal items on their desk area and sometimes lose productive time to search for things.

Someone with a creative-chaos desktop, the third type, has a wide variety of notes, books, photos and drawings piled on top of each other. They are in the middle of tasks all of which require thinking outside the box. This person is often a lively, creative person who will probably be too focused to socialize much, and has great improvisation skills, making them the "go to" person for those out of the ordinary situations.

The fourth style is home-away-from-home desktop. It is loaded with personal items. Postcards from vacations, photos of family and friends and even cutesy mouse pads. This work area probably belongs to a worker who is outgoing and social. When you have a personal problem, you will most likely stop by to talk to them. When you need a little encouragement,

you may go out of your way to visit them at their desk. On the job, they need that personal touch from supervisors to feel "at home" in the office place.

And finally, there is the trophy desk. The desktop is designed to show their professional prowess and accomplishments. It showcases their ability to make goals and obtain them. They may make excellent leaders if they have the understanding and people skills necessary to develop a well functioning team.

If desks could talk, they would say lots of interesting things. Look around you, we are as different as our desks and yet we are called to work together. The apostle Peter, after talking about complicated relationships such as relating to government authorities, relationships in the working place and how hus-



bands and wives should treat each other, wraps it all up in saying, "Summing up: be agreeable, be sympathetic, be loving, be compassionate, be humble. That goes for all of you, no exceptions. No retaliation. No sharp-tongued sarcasm. Instead, bless—that's your job, to bless. You'll be a blessing and also get a blessing." (1 Peter 3:8-9, The Message)

Our desks and the way we get things done may be different, but we can still be both effective and harmonious at the same time. Through respect and heartfelt concern we can do great things together and be blessed in the process.

Uniform wear sets example for others to follow

**By Chief Master Sgt.
Gary L. Brown**
302nd Security
Forces Squadron

Editor's note: This is the second of a three-part series about setting the example by looking sharp.

Last month, I began a series of editorials about setting the example by talking about wear of the hair. The hair is one of the most noticeable things about members of the military. This month, I will talk about another noticeable area about members of the military – the uniform.



Every nice haircut should be complemented by appropriate wear of the headgear. Headgear should fit properly, be clean and well kept. If it's dirty, wash it or have your supply person issue a new one.

Having a clean, neatly pressed uniform which looks sharp and not like you slept in it overnight can also set the example.

Having objects bulging or protruding from your pockets is also unauthorized.

The new uniform board changes also incorporates the "hands in pockets not authorized." I know some troops are asking,

"What if I have something in my

pocket?" No problem, retrieve your items out of your pocket and drive on. What the uniform board is trying to convey is the days of standing around with your hands in your pockets up to your elbows is a thing of the past. Pockets should be buttoned or zipped at all times when not in use.

Your footwear should be clean and shined in preference of your leadership. A spit shine looks great and will surely impress anyone. Sure, some airmen and officers say, "A spit shine is a waste of time, or I don't have time to do it, or I work for a living and my boots get dirty all the time." This may be true, but your unit issued you two pair of boots. Why not have a pair spit-shined or highly shined ready?

Your boot laces should be

tucked into the top of your boots or securely fastened and not flapping around in the wind like your tennis shoe laces.

Another uniform board change is the exclusion of white socks in uniform. You are no longer authorized to wear white socks while in your battle dress uniform or other uniforms except those which require white socks to be worn as part of the uniform. If you are to wear them, they must not be exposed at any time or they should be covered with black socks.

How you wear your uniform is a direct reflection on yourself and the military unit you belong to. How you choose to wear the uniform will set the standard your troops should follow.

Next month - body modification.

Effort of officer assisted in fight against sex discrimination

By Staff Sgt. Richard W. Normandie
302nd Military Equal Opportunity

Equal pay and benefits for equal work, a reality in today's military, was notably absent as recently as 1973. At that time married female service members were required to prove their husbands were dependent on them for at least one half of their support in order to be considered dependents, a level of proof not required of male members.

In 1971, Sharron Frontiero, an Air Force lieutenant, applied for dependent status for her new husband. Her request for increased housing allowance, as well as medical and dental benefits was denied due to a Department of Defense statute.

Lieutenant Frontiero's husband, a full-time student earning \$200 a month from his GI Bill, had only \$354 a month in expenses, thereby exceeding the cutoff necessary to establish dependency status. As a result, the lieutenant was told she would be required to live off base at her own expense with no medical or dental benefits provided.

Lieutenant Frontiero, believing that the law amounted to arbitrary discrimination,

which is forbidden under the United States Constitution, filed suit in United States District Court challenging the law. Lieutenant Frontiero and her attorneys argued that the statute violated the 5th and 14th Amendments of the Constitution by denying her "equal protection of the laws."

The U.S. District Court felt otherwise and ruled 2-1 that the law was constitutional because it had a "rational basis" that government only needs to

show the discrimination is rationally related to serving a legitimate state interest. In this case the government argued that requiring male service members to prove their wife's dependency would be "a substantial administrative burden."

The case was appealed directly to the United States Supreme Court where future Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg argued that gender discrimination should

be considered at the same level as race or national origin; a level of scrutiny the district court disagreed with earlier. Ms. Ginsburg argued that the plight of women's rights was similar to that of African-Americans over the years and thereby should be considered in the same way with regards to the Constitution.



Ultimately, the Supreme Court agreed, ruling 8-1 that the statute violated Lieutenant Frontiero's constitutional rights. The court stated that denying rights based solely on "administrative convenience" was arbitrary and violated her constitutional rights. The court elaborated, saying, "There can be no doubt that our nation has had a long and

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Morale upbeat for deployed members

By Tech. Sgt. Tim Taylor
Front Range Flyer

Editor's note: The following article is derived from e-mails sent to the 302nd Airlift Wing Public Affairs office and other work centers from some of the wing's deployed members.

Imagine the Army securing Denver International Airport and the surrounding area. This is the scenario at Baghdad International Airport, Iraq, according to Senior Master Sgt. Brian Pinsky, 39th Aerial Port Squadron air terminal operations center superintendent.

Despite the atmosphere in Iraq, Sergeant Pinsky, currently serving as the assistant superintendent of the Aerial Port Flight at Camp Sather, Baghdad IAP, appeared upbeat in a mid-January e-mail back to the 39th APS.

It sounds as though all the reservists are doing well, although they are hardly reservists at this point. "McChord and Peterson, active duty and Reserve are no more," he said. "We are the Aerial Port Flight here in Baghdad. Our



Left to right, Staff Sgt. Esta Jane Schmidt, Senior Master Sgt. Brian Pinsky, Tech. Sgt. Helga Hermes and Staff Sgt. Daniel Erives are among nearly 50 members of the 39th Aerial Port Squadron who deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in January. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. David D. Morton)

teams are working swimmingly together." When not busy performing their airlift mission, flight members have found other things to do, according to Sergeant Pinsky.

Two groups designed for the different enlisted ranks are focusing on building morale, among other things. The Rising Six is for pay grades E1 through E6 and Top Three is for pay grades E7 through E9. In the past these groups have designed T-shirts, built gazebos and helped improve living spaces. "It's a great way to focus off-duty time," said Sergeant Pinsky.

He also noted the mail seems to be flowing well. Several aerial porters received letters and/or packages from home within the first two weeks in country. Aerial porters have access to e-mail and the Internet because of their jobs, but they also have a morale area with computer and telephone access. And the camp has a morale tent with limited computers and phones to access.

Other morale boosters include a movie tent and recreation tent, the latter with access to Xbox and PlayStation

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302nd AW to receive single palletized expeditionary kitchen

By Tech. Sgt. David D. Morton
Front Range Flyer

The 302nd Services Flight will soon have the capability to feed more people in a shorter amount of time.

Services will be receiving a single palletized expeditionary kitchen this year. As the name indicates, the SPEK is a compact kitchen which can be transported via aircraft to deployed locations on a single pallet as opposed to a multiple number of pallets. Unloading, unpacking and setup of the SPEK can be accomplished in a timelier manner with specifications to feed

up to 550 people for a up to 15 days.

"The ability of the SPEK to be loaded onto one pallet is what makes it unique," said Maj. Blaine Linderman, 302nd SVF commander. "It means less packing and unpacking. In times past it would take several pallets to pack an equivalent kitchen."

Several services flights and squadrons around the country, including the 302nd Airlift Wing, will receive the SPEK at a cost of nearly \$60,000.

The stove within the kitchen runs on diesel fuel and is made for cooking unitized group rations. "UGRs are similar to a pic-

nic basket of food cooked in a giant microwave," said Senior Master Sgt. Janine Cragin, 302nd SVF superintendent. "It contains 14 different lunch and dinner combos."

"They're actually a cross between a home-cooked meal and a meals ready-to-eat package," added Major Linderman. "Most people will not be able to tell it isn't a home-cooked meal."

A team of eight services personnel can prepare the kitchen and start feeding within four hours of the arrival of rations and equipment. The kitchen was originally designed for smaller air expeditionary force deploy-

ments, but can be used for austere contingency locations for up to a month.

"I envision us training with it so we're ready to use it for possible real world and exercise contingencies," said Major Linderman. "It opens up a lot of possibilities. We don't have to deploy to train with it. It can be set up and operated anywhere. We could set it up on a lot on the base or fly it to some location and set it up."

Air Force Reserve Command, which purchased the SPEK for the wing, will offer classes on the new system at Dobbins Air Reserve Base, Ga., in August.

Wing network users face yet another threat

By Senior Master Sgt.

Kelli J. Wolf

302nd Communications Flight

Beware 302nd Airlift Wing computer users, there's an ugly new threat on the network – MarketScore Spyware. Air Force Reserve Command is blocking the web sites, but requests everyone be advised not to download this or any application from the internet.

MarketScore is unauthorized software which is downloaded and is advertised as an Internet Accelerator, which speeds up your computer processing and

downloading. This could be a serious security risk to AFRC networks and government systems. This software spies on your Internet connections and collects all transmitted and received data, including encrypted unclassified links to banks and other secure socket layered web sites.

As you can imagine, this is a potential operations security issue and personal identity data risk, as well as the possibility of a “man in the middle” attack.

The software is installed under a couple of names: mksc.exe and ossproxy.exe. You can iden-

tify whether it has been installed by going to the control panel/add/remove programs and look for software such as “MarketScore.” Contact your workgroup manager to remove it immediately if you have identified it.

The Network Control Center is in the process of identifying infected hosts and is taking steps to block/prevent further infection.

The best advice at this time is to make sure all network users are educated that unauthorized software is not allowed on Air Force networks, and emphasize

the danger this software can cause.

If you think you may have already downloaded the software, please contact your workgroup manager or helpdesk.

If you routinely download software at home, it is recommended you also check your home computer as well. If it is identified in the “add” and “remove” programs, select remove, empty your recycle bin and reboot.

If there are updates to this threat, the 302nd Communications Flight will inform you immediately.

302nd Airlift Wing annual Clergy Day planned for May 23

Sign up your clergy now for a day with 4:30 p.m.
the 302nd Airlift Wing May 23.

The day will begin with a C-130 orientation flight, followed by mission and family support briefings, a base chapel tour, lunch at the officers' club and an afternoon tour of Cheyenne Mountain. The packed-full day begins at 8:30 a.m. and clergy can plan on departing Peterson Air Force Base at

“I am so pleased with how this event has grown,” said Chaplain (Capt.) Tim Wilson,

302nd AW chaplain. “The attending clergy have doubled in size each year.”

The sign-up form can be mailed, e-mailed or faxed to the public affairs office. Formal invitations with a detailed itinerary will be sent to your clergy.

Spouses are invited to join the clergy; however, Air Force regulations do not allow for spouses to fly. During the hour-long flight, clergy spouses will be provided additional tours and will gather again at the officers' club.

Completed forms need to be returned by April 1. Fax: (719) 556-4214; e-mail: 302aw.pa@302.peterson.af.mil; mail: 302nd AW/PA, 860 Malmstrom St. Suite 138, Peterson AFB, CO 80914.

Clergy Orientation Nomination form

Clergy name/title _____
 Organization _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Clergy phone _____
 Reservist's name/Unit _____
 Clergy special needs (dietary, physical, etc.)? If yes, please/explain _____

Questions arise about Global War on Terrorism Service Medal

By Staff Sgt. Gerard Lopez

302nd Mission Support Flight

In March 2003, President Bush approved the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal for award to Air Force active duty, Reserve, and Guard personnel as

recognition for their service in the global war on terrorism. Recently there have been a number of questions regarding the wear of the GWOT Service Medal. The intent of this article is to provide guidance towards the awarding of this medal and

the updating of personnel records.

The Chief of Staff of the Air Force authorizes individuals who either directly or indirectly supported the following operations: Airport Security between Sept. 27, 2001 and May 31, 2002,

Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, and Iraqi Freedom are eligible for the GWOT Service Medal. Participation in these operations must have occurred on or after Sept. 11, 2001. The ending date

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302nd AW to honor Summit 38 crew in May

By Tech. Sgt. David D. Morton
Front Range Flyer

Mark Saturday, May 14, down on the calendar.

It's a day when the 302nd Airlift Wing fulfills another promise. It's a promise kept by members of the wing for the past 10 years, and marks the 10-year anniversary when the wing lost six aircrew members whose C-130 crashed while returning from Modular Airborne Fire Fighting System training near Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho.

Members of the crew included, Lt. Col. Bob Buckout, 1st Lt Lance Dougherty, Capt. Geoffrey Boyd, Chief Master Sgt. Jimmie Vail, Master Sgt. Jay Kemp and Staff Sgt. Michael L. Scheideman.

"The reason we're making this particular anniversary a big deal is because we've promised family members as a wing we'd never forget," said Chief Master Sgt. Eric Deylius, former chief flight engineer with the 731st Airlift Squadron and current chief of

the 731st AS life support section. "To fulfill the promise, we're going to rededicate the memorial outside the flying squadron's building."

The memorial is nestled between Bldgs. 890 and 895. Family, friends and local dignitaries will be invited to the rededication of the memorial and a retreat ceremony in the aircrew's honor.

As part of the rededication, members of the flying squadron and wing maintenance will reinstall the C-130 model, which has become a landmark fixture in memory of the fallen aircrew members.

"You really want to handle the remodeling with reverence, compassion and a quiet sense of satisfaction in honoring the guys and the special place they hold in our hearts," said Chief Master Sgt. Ron Bebow 302nd Maintenance superintendent. "The model represents never-ending memories and respect for each other that makes our wing what it is to each of us today."

The model has been going through an in-

tense overhaul and refurbishing project during the past four months under the watchful eyes of the members of the 302nd MXS Fabrication Flight who have been working on the project while completing regular tasks including isochronical inspections and other maintenance duties.

The team has been repairing damaged areas and cracking the model incurred due to inclement weather over the years. Once the refurbishing project is complete, the model will have been primed, painted and include a new stand to be mounted on.

"What the memorial model represents to each of us is difficult to place into words," said Chief Bebow. "There's not a day I don't think about those guys. Every aircraft I see fly or engine I hear running, the memories of those guys come back."

"In fulfilling our promise to the families, it's important to recognize this event as part of the wing's history," added Chief Deylius. "There aren't too many wing members left who remember the crew of Summit 38."

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2, a big screen TV which usually has sports on it, and two pool tables.

There are sacrifices though, such as the food, which certainly isn't like good old home cooking. Sergeant Pinsky said he was expecting the weather to take a bad turn as well as the aerial porters were expecting rain and sand storms in the near future.

"Keep us in your thoughts and prayers," Sergeant Pinsky said. "We're working hard. We're doing well."

A month into their stateside relocation, the other half of the 39th APS deployers are doing well as the 89th Aerial Port Squadron at Andrews Air Force Base, Md. "The 89th Aerial Port has been so overwhelmingly receptive and doing whatever it takes to make our stay an enjoyable," said Senior Master Sgt. Arthur Avila, 39th APS, B Flight

superintendent. Serving as the 89th APS squadron operations superintendent, he added the the 89th APS is also "doing well to meet all our training requirements so we can be well-prepared for our next location."

Sergeant Avila went on to boast how the 39th APS is performing above the expectations of their active-duty counterparts. "I personally am so proud of every team member here, with not only their job performance, but also with the professional attitude and focus they display in accomplishing the mission and in their endeavors," he said.

The 39th APS has also made history, becoming the first Reserve unit to be

assigned to the 89th Airlift Wing.

In Kuwait, three members of the 302nd Services Flight are serving with the 386th Expeditionary Services Flight. Tech. Sgt. Robert Bostick is a night supervisor in the dining facility, Se-

nior Airman Guadalupe Sojo is working recreation and Senior Airman Patricia Rojero is at the fitness center.

"We are sleeping in tents with anywhere from five to eight people per tent," Sergeant Bostick said. "The weather has been between cool and warm, the hot temperatures have not hit as of yet, I am expecting that to be around the March time frame. The temperatures have been in the 40s at night and the 50s to 60s during the day."

One thing about the deployments is certain – the members of the 302nd AW are weathering all obstacles set before them as they serve their country with pride and honor.



Forty-eight members of the 39th Aerial Port Squadron have deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, but that doesn't mean there isn't any work to do back home. Here, Tech. Sgt. Ray Devaughn, 39th APS programs training manager, and Staff Sgt. Jason Hall, 731st Airlift Squadron loadmaster, discuss pallet loading during a recent exercise deployment to Gulfport, Miss., Jan. 25. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Tim Taylor)

302nd Airlift Wing welcomes two new commanders

By Tech. Sgt. Stefano Collins
Front Range Flyer

The 302nd Airlift Wing greeted two new commanders during the February unit training assembly.

Lt. Col. Michael J. McCully took command of the 302nd Mission Support Group in a change-of-command ceremony, officiated by Brig. Gen. William P. Kane, 302nd AW commander. Previously the commander of the 94th Communications Flight, Dobbins Air



Lt. Col. Michael J. McCully is the new commander of the 302nd Mission Support Group. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. David D. Morton)

Reserve Base, Ga., succeeds Lt. Col. Michael J. Marques, who is now the wing's inspector general.

Colonel McCully served as the 94th CF commander from 1999 until January 2005. His previous positions include 349th Memorial Affairs Squadron commander, Travis Air Force Base, Calif., 349th Mission Support Squadron, and chief of the services flight and personnel officer; chief of Base Information Management, Royal Air Force Chicksands, United Kingdom; Headquarters Air Training Command foreign disclosure policy and protocol officer, Air Force Security Assistance and Training, Randolph AFB, Texas; commander of the 3793rd Student Squadron, Sheppard AFB, Texas, and administrative officer for the 3794th Student Squadron, Sheppard AFB.

The other new commander, Maj. Brett A. Sichmeller, has been with the 302nd Civil Engineer Squadron since August



Maj. Brett A. Sichmeller (right) receives the guidon from Lt. Col. Michael J. McCully, 302nd Mission Support group commander, during the 302nd Civil Engineer Squadron Change-of-Command ceremony. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Stefano Collins)

2002. He assumed command from Maj. Mark Miller.

Major Sichmeller joined the military in June 1993. Maj. Miller is transferring to Headquarters 4th Air Force, March AFB, Calif., as the chief of operations for civil engineering.

Colonel McCully presided over the ceremony.

Reservists switch to myPay; LES becomes paperless

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — Jan. 1 was the deadline for Air Force reservists to start using myPay, the Internet method for managing pay.

If they didn't sign up, they may find it difficult to know how much they are getting paid. The Feb. 1 leave and earning statement was the last paper copy reservists received through the mail.

The change for Air Force Reserve Command civilian employees depends on local bargaining obligations at their

units, but eventually they too are to use myPay.

Under the myPay program, people view their LES online. If they don't have access to the Web at home or at work, they should contact their respective Reserve or civilian pay offices.

If reservists don't have a PIN or need a new one, they can obtain a temporary PIN through their Reserve pay office or local Air Force finance office, said Mike Bilbrey, chief of the management and finance branch at AFRC. "These offices have

'trusted agent' access and can assign a PIN," he said.

Another way to obtain a temporary PIN is on the Website at <https://mypay.dfas.mil> and selecting the "new pin" button on the homepage. It may take 10 business days for mail delivery of the new PIN.

In addition, reservists can ask for a new PIN by fax or mail. They need to sign the request and give their full name, social security account number, a copy of their military photo ID and a daytime telephone number.

The fax number is (216) 522-5800 or DSN 580-5800. The mailing address is: DFAS-Cleveland/Code PMMCCA, Attn: myPay, 1240 East 9th Street, Cleveland, OH 44199-2055.

The new temporary PIN will contain the last five digits of the person's social security number.

People should wait at least two business days before using their faxed PIN or four days if receiving it by mail. They will not receive confirmation that their PIN has changed. (AFRC News Service)

Wing first sergeant board to meet during April UTA

The 302nd Airlift Wing is in need of first sergeants. In an effort to find qualified candidates, a board will be held Sunday of the April unit training assembly.

Interested applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from their commander, a Report on Individual Personnel from the Military Personnel Flight and a military resume. The RIP is an overnight product so some planning is required. Packages are due by noon Saturday of the April UTA.

Packages should be submitted to Chief Master Sgt. Bobby Smith, 302nd AW command chief, in the headquarters section located in Bldg. 893.

A review of Air Force Instruction 36-2113, which governs first sergeants, is recommended.

For more information, contact Senior Master Sgt. Robert Pacheco, 302nd AW First Sergeant Council, at 556-0006.



Left to right, Chief Master Sgt. Bobby Smith, 302nd Airlift Wing command chief, Master Sgt. Rick Kind, 302nd Services Flight first sergeant, Senior Master Sgt. Michael Jahner, 39th Aerial Port Squadron first sergeant, and Chief Master Sgt. Kirby Schueler, 39th APS superintendent, pose at the U.S. Air Force First Sergeant Academy graduation in December. Sergeant Jahner received the prestigious Commandant Award. (Courtesy photo)

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unfortunate history of sex discrimination. Traditionally, such discrimination was rationalized by an attitude of 'romantic paternalism' which, in practical effect, put women not on a pedestal, but in a cage."

As a result of the ruling

women were able to submit claims retroactive to the 10 years prior to the ruling.

Additionally, enlistment qualifications would change and future rulings would open up many military careers previously not available to women.

The Army, which, for many years attempted to end the policy, only to see every bill in

Congress never make it out of committee, endorsed the ruling enthusiastically as did the other services.

Lieutenant Frontiero's legacy will be remembered for ensuring female military members are entitled to the same pay and benefits as their male counterparts.

The result of Lieutenant Frontiero's and Ms. Ginsburg's

struggle against gender discrimination helped set the stage for establishing equal treatment for women in the military and throughout American society. The lieutenant's effort set the stage for the future – so that today's women in uniform are afforded the same opportunities their male counterparts have enjoyed for so long.

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will be determined at a future date.

Members must be assigned, attached, or mobilized to a unit participating in or serving in support of designated operations for 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days. There is no time limit required for nonconsecutive days to be accumulated.

Personnel supporting the global war on terrorism in a non-deployed status, whether stationed at home or overseas are also eligible for the GWOT Service Medal.

It is each individual member's responsi-

bility to validate the entitlement by providing documentation (mobilization orders, TDY orders, travel voucher, etc.) to their servicing military personnel flight, career enhancement section. This documentation must also show the number of days in support of OSA, ONE, OEF, or OIF. In the absence of documentation both deployed and non-deployed status members must justify their entitlement to their unit commander.

Members who were activated in support of ONE/OEF/OIF, should ensure that the award is annotated on the DD Form 214 before completion. The receipt of the GWOT-Service Medal is qualifying for Veteran's preference, provided the individual is otherwise

eligible.

The GWOT Service Medal is a Department of Defense campaign medal. Award of this medal does not prevent award of other types of recognition (decorations) normally associated with deployment. Personnel may receive both the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal and the GWOT Service Medal if they meet requirements for both awards.

The initial GWOT Service Medal will be issued to Air Force active duty, Reserve, and Guard personnel by their servicing military personnel flight upon availability. However, members are authorized if desired, to purchase the medal at their own expense through AAFES.

If there are any further concerns or questions regarding the GWOT Service Medal, contact the 302nd Military Personnel Flight, Career Enhancements, at 556-7975.



Teets to build on core competencies

By Tech. Sgt. David A. Jablonski
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Peter B. Teets will focus on core competencies to take the Air Force through a transitional period that includes the fiscal 2006 budget process and quadrennial defense review.

Mr. Teets has served as undersecretary of the Air Force since 2001 and became the acting secretary of the Air Force following the retirement of Dr. James G. Roche. Mr. Teets also serves as the Department of Defense executive agent for space and as the director of the National Reconnaissance Office.

"I intend to maintain the current priorities and continue to build on the Air Force's core competencies," Mr. Teets said. "The Air Force is a wonderful institution because of its people. We need to continue developing them in the same way we have in the last several years."

One recent example he cited

is the space cadre formed under the national security space program. That program integrated professional-development opportunities and rotational assignments for space professionals, similar to the way aviators are trained and mentored.



- Peter B. Teets -

"We want to build core competencies that consist of developing Airmen, transitioning technology to warfighting and integrating operations," Mr. Teets said.

Although he said core com-

petencies would serve the Air Force well into the future, the service's leaders need to seek the resources necessary to recapitalize assets when discussing next year's budget.

"The 2006 budget will go to Congress, and I will certainly

at the same time the Air Force begins to meet the challenges of the quadrennial defense review.

"It'll take a year to perform, but the QDR terms of reference are coming together right now, and this will shape our Air Force for a good number of years to come," Mr. Teets said. "It's vitally important that we get this QDR right."

But the most challenging task Mr. Teets said he faces is one of image.

"Over the past several months, we have faced some challenges in the press," he said, about issues relating to the acquisition process and unprofessional behavior of a small number of Airmen. "I would simply reiterate that one of the most important and best things about our

testify and provide rationale for why the president's budget is a good budget, and to seek help from Congress to provide the resources we need to accomplish our mission," Mr. Teets said.

The budget discussion comes

Air Force is that we honor our core values — integrity first, service before self and excellence in all we do. To that end, I would urge all of us to rededicate ourselves to those core values and live our lives according to them."

Help available for troops facing adjustment issues

By Gerry J. Gilmore
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Defense Department's senior medical adviser said that troops redeployed from combat zones should suffer no stigma for seeking help for emotional problems.

Some troops who have returned from duty tours in Afghanistan or Iraq are experiencing symptoms associated with post-traumatic stress disorder, said Dr. William Winkenwerder Jr., assistant secretary of defense for health affairs.

Dr. Winkenwerder said DOD is expanding its post-deployment health assessment program, which will soon require all service

members to fill out a health questionnaire and visit a care provider within three to six months after redeployment. More than 600,000 pre- and post-deployment health assessments have already been completed.

He said medical officials learned that service members were exhibiting symptoms such as chronic nervousness, anger or depression months after they had returned to their home bases from deployments to combat theaters. "If you've been in a very stressful environment, to have symptoms like that is normal — you're not crazy," Dr. Winkenwerder said.

Yet, if symptoms are not identified and dealt with early on, he said more significant problems could develop.

"(Some) people could turn to alcohol or other things to try to drive away some of the uncomfortable feelings," Dr. Winkenwerder said.

Service members can be successfully treated with the proper support from the unit with medical care and family-services assistance as needed, Dr. Winkenwerder said.

Troops who believe they may be having trouble adjusting after returning from combat-zone duty shouldn't be afraid of being stigmatized when they seek help, he said.

"If you've got some emotional things going on or psychological things going on, the best thing to do is to reach out and get some help," he said.

Air Force Assistance Fund campaign begins

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — The Air Force Assistance Fund “Commitment to Caring” campaign runs through May 6.

Program officials invite Airmen to contribute to any of the Air Force’s four official charitable organizations.

The charities benefit active-duty, Reserve, Guard, retired service members, surviving spouses and families. This is the 32nd year of the fund drive, where the four charities receive 100 percent of designated contributions.

“The need for (Air Force Aid Society) assistance remains strong,” said retired Lt. Gen. Mike McGinty, Air Force Aid Society chief executive officer. “Last year, the Air Force Aid Society helped more than 30,000 Airmen with \$21.1 million in

assistance that is a lot of help.

“Contributions are vital for the society to sustain this kind of help; it is truly an Airmen-helping-Airmen program,” General McGinty said.

Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper recently announced a \$5.4 million goal. Last year, Airmen gave \$6.7 million to the fund.

People can contribute through cash, check, money order or payroll deduction to the following charities:

➤ The Air Force Aid Society. AFAS provides Airmen and their families worldwide emergency financial assistance, education assistance and an array of base-level community-enhancement programs. Information is available online at www.afas.org.

➤ The Air Force Enlisted Village Indigent Widow’s Fund. The Air Force Enlisted Village, located in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. near Eglin Air Force Base, provides rent subsidy and other support to indigent widows and widowers of retired enlisted Airmen 55 and older. More information is available online at

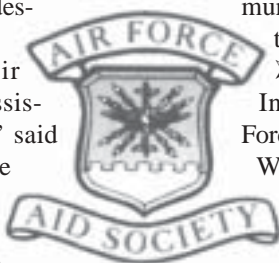
www.afenlistedwidows.org.

➤ The Air Force Village Indigent Widow’s Fund. Air Force Village is a life-care community in San Antonio for retired officers, spouses, widows or widowers and family members. The Air Force Village Web site is www.airforcevillages.com.

➤ The General and Mrs. Curtis E. LeMay Foundation. The foundation provides rent and financial assistance to indigent widows and widowers of officers and enlisted Airmen in their own homes and communities. The LeMay Foundation Web site is www.info@lemayfoundation.org.

Contributions to AFAS are tax-deductible. For more information, afassistancefund.org or the Air Force Personnel Center’s Voting and Fundraising Web site is at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/votefund.

Installation project officers have information on local procedures and goals. (Courtesy of AFPC News Service)



Officials announce Air Force budget proposal

By Tech. Sgt. David A. Jablonski
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — The Air Force piece of the 2006 defense budget is designed to make the joint team better, officials said.

Announced Feb. 7, the budget grows from \$96 billion that Congress enacted for fiscal 2005, to \$102.9 billion in 2006, a senior Air Force budget official said. After covering the growing costs of inflation and fuel costs, there is real growth of about \$4 billion.

About \$34.7 billion, or 34 percent, of the proposed \$102.9 billion funding is dedicated to people. This growth covers the costs of a 3.1 percent military pay raise and 2.3 percent increase for the civilian force.

Readiness programs account for \$29.9 billion, or 29 percent, of the proposed Air Force funding.

This does not include the operations funding for the war on terror, which is funded separately in a supplemental request to Congress. Rather, it supports training and day-to-day operations, and includes increases for higher costs, especially in fuel, and additional dollars for key missions supporting the warfighter.

Modernization funding, \$35.1 billion or 34 percent of the total, does not increase significantly, but there are a number of specific programs that grow, especially programs designed to provide new capabilities in space.

Military construction makes

up the remaining \$32 billion or 31 percent of the Air Force total.

“We are at war today and the Air Force, as part of the joint warfighting team, is doing its part both operationally and through this budget to support this crucial national priority,” the official said.

“The 2006 budget ensures the Air Force can execute the core missions of persistent (command, control, communications, computer, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance), global mobility, and rapid strike, providing the Air Force the ability to help win the global war on terror and to strengthen and transform joint warfighting capabilities while minimizing the risk to our nation,” the official

said.

The overall Department of Defense budget request reflects a change from more conventional warfighting systems such as aircraft and ships, to people and weapons tailored to fighting insurgency.

President George W. Bush delivered his defense budget request for \$419.3 billion to Congress on Feb. 7.

Funding for operations such as Iraqi Freedom or Enduring Freedom is not included in the request. These operations are funded through a separate supplemental budget.

The detailed budget is available on the Internet at <http://www.dod.mil/comptroller/defbudget/fy2006/index.html>.

More teamwork, technology drive Air Force transformation

By **Gerry J. Gilmore**
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON – The Air Force will employ more teamwork and technology in transforming itself into a more agile and efficient force for the 21st century, a senior Air National Guard officer said here Feb. 7.

The Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard “will stay very much a part of” current and future Air Force missions, Air Force Brig. Gen. Charles Ickes II, deputy director of the Air National Guard, told Pentagon Channel and American Forces Press Service reporters.

The Air National Guard has long worked in tandem with its active and Reserve Air Force brethren, General Ickes said, as part of DOD’s Total Force concept. Air National Guard personnel, he pointed out, operate 100 percent of the ground alert facilities as part of Operation Noble Eagle for homeland defense and security in the United States.

All of the armed services have employed their reserve components “quite a bit” in recent years, General Ickes said, especially in support of operations in Afghanistan and Iraq. Almost 50 percent of the U.S. forces in Iraq, he noted, are members of the Guard or Reserve.

“That just shows the amount that the guardsmen and the reservists too have stepped up,” he said.

And since much of the Air Force’s mission involves deploying and maintaining high-tech aircraft, General Ickes said there’s a tight bond between active, Guard and Reserve Air Force pilots, aircrews and mechanics.

That partnership will be expanded in coming years, he said, as part of the Air Force’s Future Total Force initiative, where Air Guard and Reserve personnel will train and serve alongside active members while operating some of the most modern and sophisticated items in the Air Force’s inventory.

Another “huge” project on tap has Guard and Reserve members getting more involved in Predator unmanned aerial vehicle training to be conducted in Nevada, Texas and other locations, General Ickes said.

“We see, potentially, eight to 10” new Predator organizations being established as a result of that training, he said, because the demand for UAVs “is almost insatiable around the world.”

Employing the Guard and Reserve in becoming more involved in operating and maintaining high-tech equipment like the F/

A-22 and Predator, General Ickes said, is a force-multiplier that enhances Air Force and DOD transformation efforts.

For example, he said, the F/A-22, which will replace the F-15, possesses “phenomenal capabilities” that will enable it to do the job of several “legacy” aircraft.

Predators, General Ickes said, are flexible aircraft that can conduct surveillance missions or be equipped with weaponry to perform combat duties. Predators launched from foreign locales, he said, can be controlled from a stateside base, which reduces the U.S. military footprint overseas.

The UAVs also provide “real-time” information to combatant commanders, he pointed out, with practically no delay in communications.

General Ickes said he doesn’t see the Air Force’s reserve components being absorbed into the active component, noting the Guard and Reserve each brings different strengths to the table.

However, he predicted that the Air Force’s reserve components will become “part and parcel” of future DOD missions, as more Guard and Reserve members integrate with their active counterparts to operate and maintain cutting-edge equipment like the F/A-22 and the Predator.



21st Services Squadron offers reservists and their families a variety of activities

<http://21svs.com>



Follow rules of the road during focus on fitness

By **Master Sgt. Robert Smith**
302nd Airlift Wing
Ground Safety

With a greater emphasis now being placed on Air Force fitness, more and more people will be taking to the streets, sidewalks and pathways of Peterson Air Force Base in an effort to remain or become physically fit.

Following are a few “rules of the road” to remember while focusing on fitness.

No matter what you may have seen, bicyclists, skateboarders, roller bladers, roller skaters, joggers and walkers cannot use headphones while using any street, pathway or sidewalk that crosses a street on Peterson AFB. This basically leaves it to

the jogging tracks where they are permitted.

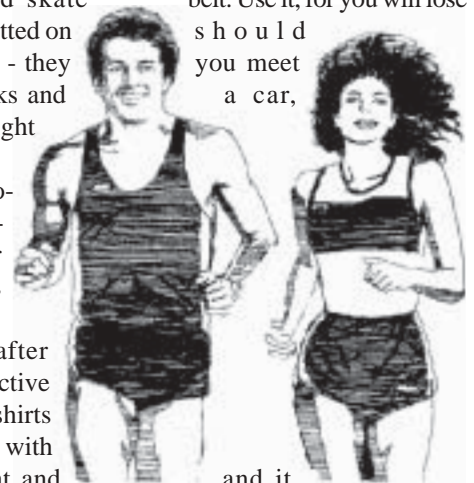
Roller bladers and skateboarders are not permitted on the roadways on base - they must use the sidewalks and give pedestrians the right of way.

Proper personal protective equipment is required for roller bladers, roller skaters and skateboarders.

Bicyclists riding after sunset must wear reflective tape on their jackets/shirts and equip their bicycle with a headlight, rear light and side reflectors.

If you run in the morning or late at night, please wear something reflective.

Everyone in the 302nd Airlift Wing should have a reflective belt. Use it, for you will lose sight if you meet a car,



and it doesn’t matter if you have the “right of way” or not. To be seen is the key.



Junior Enlisted Advisory Council meets monthly

The 302nd Airlift Wing Junior Enlisted Advisory Council meets Sunday of each unit training assembly in Bldg. 350.

Cancellations are automatic if there is a scheduling conflict with a mandatory 302nd AW event. Adjust your schedules accordingly.

Don't leave running vehicles unattended

Leaving your vehicle unattended with the engine running is a violation of Colorado Revised Statute 42-4-1206 and Peterson Air Force Base Installation Security Operating Instruction 31-1. Doing so is considered a class B traffic infraction. This includes vehicles with both key and keyless systems.

Learn about Airmen's roles, responsibilities

Air Force officials further clarified and standardized the roles, responsibilities and duty titles of its enlisted Airmen with the latest version of Air Force Instruction 36-2618, The Enlisted Force Structure.

For more information, go to the Air Force Link at <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123009563>.

The instruction is online at www.e-publishing.af.mil.

More Airmen eligible for AF Recognition ribbon

More Airmen can wear the Air Force Recognition Ribbon for winning service-level competitions and awards. A recent

change to Air Force Instruction 36-2805 allows members of small teams participating in events to wear the decoration.

For more information, go to the Air Force Link at <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123009496>.

Scams target tsunami donors

Airmen should beware of those preying on well-intentioned donors to tsunami relief. Crooks, posing as newly formed charities to help victims, are targeting potential donors by e-mail and the Internet.

For more information, go to the Air Force Link at <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123009649> or check out fraudulent charities or schemes at www.ftc.gov.

Travel voucher rejection, resubmission rising

There has been an increase in the number of travel voucher rejects or vouchers requiring resubmission for airfare cost reimbursement. The reason for this is the travel itinerary is not an official receipt and is not being reimbursed when claimed on the travel voucher.

Note that when the member gets the itinerary either online or hard copy from Rodgers (they can request the receipt at this time) there is a disclaimer on the itinerary after the member's name which states: "Must print invoice for finance to get reimbursed." "This will only stay live for 10 days from the date ticket was issued, not date of travel."

If the member was not able to print this invoice, in order to get reimbursed the member must either certify the itinerary with the following statement:

"I certify that I paid \$___ for airfare to (name of airline) and paid the service fee of \$___ to

Rodgers Travel (or appropriate official travel agency)." You can also file a lost/missing receipt form, which is available in the finance office, with the travel voucher.

Anheuser-Busch honors troops with heroes salute

Anheuser-Busch Cos. Inc. has announced its "Heroes Salute" to honor the U.S. Armed Services by offering free single-day admission to its SeaWorld and Busch Gardens parks to active duty military, active reservists and guardsmen, U.S. Coast Guard and as many as three direct dependents through Dec. 31.

For more information, go to <http://www.herosalute.com/> or in the entrance plaza of participating parks, and show a Department of Defense photo ID.

Air and space museum ready to re-open

The Peterson Air and Space Museum is expected to re-open its doors March 7. The museum was closed for various upgrades.

If you have any questions,

contact the museum staff at 556-8314 or 556-8278.

Association serves enlisted reservists

The Reserve Enlisted Association of the United States is an advocate for members of the military reserve forces. REA places emphasis on readiness, training and quality of life issues affecting the welfare of members and their families.

For more information on REA, e-mail Lani Burnett at lburnett@reaus.org or call her at (202) 646-7758.

Aircraft society to hold ball

The Pueblo Historical Aircraft Society will hold the 14th Annual Moonlight Ball April 9, at the Pueblo Convention Center.

Social hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Dancing will begin at 8 p.m. with the big band sounds of Bob Alexander and Promises.

Uniforms or black tie are encouraged.

For more information or tickets, call (719) 948-9219 or (719) 296-7200.



Support your museum

The Peterson Air and Space Museum Foundation is seeking support for a variety of restoration projects. For more information, contact Jeff Nash, museum acting director, at 556-8314, or Joan Sell, board of directors, at joansell@falconbroadband.net. Find out more about the museum and air park at www.petemuseum.org. (Photo courtesy of Harris Photography Services)

Unit Training Assembly Schedule

March 5-6

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>POC</u>
S A T U R D A Y	0530 – 0800	Breakfast	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180
	0730 – 1600	Newcomers Orientation	Bldg. 893, Conference Room	DPMSC/6-8185
	0730 – 0900	No Meeting Period	All Locations	CV/6-7087
	0730 – 1630	Physical Exams	Clinic	ASTS/6-1132
	0745 – 1630	MPF Hours	Bldg. 895, Room 219A	DPMSC/6-8185
	0900 – 1000	Unit Training Manager Meeting	Bldg. 895, Room 203	DPMT/6-7250
	1000 – 1600	Military Clothing Sales	Bldg. 1466	LSM/6- 3227
	1000 – 1045	Wing Training Planning Council	Bldg. 895, Room 203	CCX/6-0142
	1000 – 1100	Wing Commander's Call	Base Theater	PA/6-4117
	1100 – 1230	Annual Awards Luncheon	Bldg. 210, Hangar 1	CCC/6-8132
	1100 – 1300	Lunch	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180
	1100 – 1300	Lunch & A Lift	Aragon Colorado Room	HC/6-7428
	1215 – 1530	CDC/PME Testing	Bldg. 895, Room 203/204	DPMT/6-7250
	1300 – 1600	Chaplain Available	Bldg. 893, Room 143	HC/6-7428
	1300 – 1530	Self Aid/Buddy Care Refresher	Bldg. 350, Room 2127	ASTS/6-1132
	1600 – 1800	Dinner	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180
	2000 – 2300	Late Night Carry-out	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180
S U N D A Y	0530 – 0800	Breakfast	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180
	0730 – 0830	Chiefs' Group Meeting	Silver Spruce Golf Course	CCC/6-8132
	0730 – 1200	MPF Hours	Bldg. 895, Room 219A	DPMSC/6-8185
	0800 – 0900	Career Advisor Training	Bldg. 895, Room 203	CCA/6-7702
	0800 – 1000	3AO AFSC Training	Bldg. 893, Conference Room	SC/6-3299
	1000 – 1100	First Sergeants Meeting	Bldg. 208	CCF/6-8307
	1000 – 1100	Homosexual Policy Training	Bldg. 890, 2nd Floor Briefing Room	JA/6-8140
	1000 – 1100	Records Management Training	Bldg. 893, Conference Rm	SC/6-3299
	1000 – 1100	Family Support Unit Representative Mtg.	Bldg. 895, Training Room	DPMFR/6-6505
	1100 – 1200	Junior Enlisted Advisory Council	Bldg. 350	LRS/6-7371
	1100 – 1300	Lunch	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180
	1600 – 1800	Dinner	Aragon Dining Facility	SVMFA/6-4180

✓ **Can't make the UTA but you made lodging reservations?**
Contact Master Sgt. Terry Brassard at (719) 556-4001 or 1-800-446-9624 to cancel.

✓ **Want an event on next month's schedule?** Call (719) 556-4117 or e-mail 302aw.pa@302.peterson.af.mil.

Federal policy guides use of cell phones in government vehicles

More than 110 million people use wireless phones in the United States. A recent National Highway Traffic Safety Administration survey found that 54 percent of motor vehicle drivers in the United States usually have a wireless phone in their vehicle.

Federal and state policymakers have been weighing the benefits of wireless phone use in vehicles against the growing evidence of their potential to increase driver distraction and the risks to safety.

The ban of hand-held wireless phones while driving in New York State in 2001 received significant publicity. At that time, 27 other states had pending legislation and 23 countries restricted or prohibited wireless phones in motor vehicles.

It is appropriate that the federal government assume a leadership role in promoting the safe use of wireless telephones by its employees when they are engaged in official government business.

Accordingly, federal agencies should address the issue of wireless phone use in their internal policies. Additionally, many agencies have requested guidance from the General Services Administration's Office of

Government wide policy states that federal agencies should:

- Discourage the use of hand-held wireless phones by a driver while operating motor vehicles owned or leased by the federal government.
- Provide a portable hands-free accessory and/or a hands-free car kit for government

owned wireless phones.

- Educate employees on driving safely while using hands-free wireless phones.

Generally, federal employees are not exempt from state and local laws governing operation of a motor vehicle. If adhering to state and local laws would impede your agency's mission, consult your General Counsel for advice.

Federal agencies should be aware of the potential for increased liability from accidents that occur if caused by the use of wireless phones while driving vehicles owned or leased by the federal government.

For more information, e-mail vehicle.policy@gsa.gov, or call (202) 501-1777. (Courtesy of National Highway Traffic Safety Administration)

Wing Newcomers

302nd Airlift Wing
Lt. Col. Dwight Mitchell
Senior Airman Aaron D. Guthrey

302nd Mission Support Group
Lt. Col. Michael J. McCully

302nd Aeromedical Staging Squadron
Capt. Theresa C. Cowger
Airman 1st Class Mayte P. Zepeda

302nd Civil Engineer Squadron
Senior Airman Ronald Paul
Airman 1st Class Dana B. Payne
Tech. Sgt. Paul Skinner

302nd Logistics Readiness Squadron
Senior Airman Steven W. Goodrich

302nd Maintenance Squadron
Airman 1st Class Christopher Price
Staff Sgt. Justin T. Thornton
Airman 1st Class Ryan A. Warnhoff

302nd Security Forces Squadron
Senior Airman Sean M. Cassidy
Staff Sgt. Joseph M. Phipps Jr.

Staff Sgt. Angela K. Saucier
39th Aerial Port Squadron
Staff Sgt. Jessica M. Sevening
Airman 1st Class Matthew S. Smith

302nd Operations Support Flight
Tech. Sgt. Elisha E. Early

302nd Services Flight
Senior Airman Mario J. Gonzales
Airman Uchenna P. Obioha

6th Space Operations Squadron
Staff Sgt. Christy L. Gravitt
Staff Sgt. Kahn W. Scalise

8th Space Warning Squadron
Staff Sgt. Gary W. Vincent II

19th Space Operations Squadron
Tech. Sgt. John J. Casey

26th Space Aggressor Squadron
Staff Sgt. Rene Minjarez
Capt. Dean D. Sniegowski

310th Security Forces Squadron
Airman 1st Class Andrew Edtl
Staff Sgt. Gustavo A. Hurtado

Sharp Troop of the Month

Name: Christina E. Powell

Rank: Technical Sergeant

Section: Command Post

Job: Chief, Command and Control

Date assigned wing: Nov. 15, 1999

Hometown: Born and lived abroad.

Hobbies: Traveling and spending time in a coco cabana on a fun-filled beach.

Favorite thing about your job: Dealing with time critical emergency situations and unusual incidents.

Supervisors - Do you have an exceptional troop whom you would like to nominate for Sharp Troop of the Month? If so, contact the editor of the *Front Range Flyer* at 302aw.pa@302.peterson.af.mil, or call (719) 556-4117, or toll free (800) 446-9624.



Wing promotions

Colonel

Karen A. Baldi, 302nd ASTS
David R. DiVesta, 302nd MXS
Michael J. Marques, 302nd MSG

Charles A. Peters, 302nd AW

Master Sergeant
Carl A. Tarry

Bowling tourney offers competition, fun - and benefits families in need

By Tech. Sgt Tim Taylor
Front Range Flyer



Michelle Ashton lines up her shot in 2004. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Tim Taylor)

The question has to be asked. How long can Maintenance continue to dominate the 302nd Airlift Wing bowling world?

As the team prepares to defend its title at the 4th Annual Bowling Tournament and Fundraiser, one can't help but wonder if the only team to ever win the annual event might not be flirting with the over-the-hill stigma.

After all, three members are over 40, including one who hit the big 5-0 last month.

On the surface, Mike Sanchez doesn't appear too worried about the age factor. "You know what they say about fine wines, they only get better with age," he said. However, Maintenance did go to the fountain of youth to fill out this year's roster. Newcomer William Kellums is only 29.

For wing members the tourney offers an opportunity to enjoy some fun, friendship, a few laughs, and juuuuust a little bit of competition. More important, it's also a chance to help others.

The event, sponsored by the 302nd Mission Support Group and run by the 302nd Services Flight, contributes a portion of the proceeds to assist wing families in need of a little assistance.

What could be more fun than helping people in need while at the same time knocking the kings of the wing off their pedestal? Of course, the ever-confident Sanchez doesn't believe his team can be defeated. "Maintenance has improved its total score

every year and I predict that again this year," he said. "Last year two members never even rolled their average and we still managed to pull out the win. So, are we good enough to win four in a row? Oh yeah!"

"It should be pointed out the 302nd AW team has taken second for the last two years in a row," said Paul Burnett, "so we are due to knock off the 302nd MXS."

That could prove difficult as two wing team members have left the unit and Burnett may not be teaming with returnees Alan Flolo and Jody Ritchie. However, there is a secret weapon in the ranks. That individual, who asked to remain nameless, issued this warning to Maintenance. "Look out for Tigger. He's going to get you!"

Maintenance is ready to take on all challenges and doesn't seem too concerned about the "sneak attack" factor like the one which allegedly occurred in 2004. "Last year the wing team tried to pull out a win by concealing a sixth member (Rich Moss)," said

Bowling continued on page 16

Recruiters let creativeness flow - put jet car on snow!?

By Jeff Grzecka

302nd AW Recruiting office

In mid-November 2004 the 302nd Airlift Wing recruiting staff decided their entry in the SnoFest!!! Cardboard Derby was going to be a replica of the famous Air Force Reserve Jet Car.

Of course, there were several differences between the two. This car wouldn't have the J-34 engine that develops 10,000 horsepower, nor would it have 6,000 pounds of thrust. Instead, this car had over 15 rolls of duct tape, hundreds of square feet of cardboard, skis, and many more feet of cardboard carpet rolls.

Entries into the derby have strict guidelines that they must follow; vehicles can only be made of cardboard, tape, paper, rope and paint. Trophies are awarded for closest to the target, fastest down the slope, most creative, and best engineered. There is no maximum number of participants per vehicle. SnoFest!!! includes all military organizations in Colorado and Wyoming.

Thousands of active duty and

Reserve military personnel attend this event each year and this is one of the largest recruiting tools for the 302nd Airlift Wing recruiting staff. Accord-

advertising marvel that will stun the competition this year," stated Sergeant Fritzen. According to Senior Master Sgt. George Anderson, senior recruiter,

speed skiing, it's made to get the attention of the many thousands who attended SnoFest!!! at Keystone Resort.

The recruiters succeeded in their quest of turning heads and received the "Most Creative Award." According to Keystone Resort employees, the Air Force Reserve Jet Car was the finest entry they have ever seen since they started the derby races.

With creativity the focus, designing an entry with the original jet car's speed and handling ability was not a priority. "Theoretically, the car should become airborne if the thrust exceeds the weight," Sergeant Fritzen said. "If we hit a rut, we're in trouble. We have no steering or brake system and that's one reason we had to cut down the thrust." Since this car has no engine and is gliding down a ski hill there was no need to install a firewall.

After all of the hard work and long nights and weekends, the 302nd AW recruiting staff had the finest vehicle on the hill. They were congratulated for their fine architectural design at the awards ceremony by Brig. Gen. Richard E. Webber, 21st Space Wing commander.



Left to right, Steve Bender, Mark Cooling and Jim Fritzen are busy constructing the Air Force Reserve Jet Car entry for the SnoFest!!! Cardboard Derby. (Photo by Jeff Grzecka)

ing to a SNOFEST spokesperson, "The most fun at the 15th annual Military Snow Sports Weekend will be the cardboard derby."

What a challenge for designer Master Sgt. Jim Fritzen and co-builder Master Sgt. Mark Cooling. "It's just not a car; it's an

"This year is going to be different, we will not be pulling any G forces, but Sergeants Fritzen and Cooling have gone 'above and beyond' in the architectural design of this vehicle."

Just in case, the recruiters did use duct tape that could withstand up to 200 miles per hour. Sergeant Cooling added, "This derby vehicle isn't made for high

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Sanchez. "They got caught so someone is going to have to try something better to knock us off the top of the mountain."

This year's tournament and fundraiser will be held Saturday, April 2, starting at 3 p.m. at the Peterson Air Force Base bowling center. If more than 20 teams sign up, a second start time will be scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

Units interested in entering

the tournament need to assemble a five-person team from that unit (spouses are welcome, but members have priority), give it a name, sign up and pay the \$15 entry fee before 4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 6.

For more information, contact Greg Sprong, Terry Brassard, Rodolfo Pena, Aaron Jenkins, Teresa Aguilar or Hope Clark-Vasquez at 556-4001.

"To do a little bragging for the Maintenance team I say, 'bring it on!'" concluded Sanchez.

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